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## President, EVP races head into rematch

### Slifka, Koa fall short of edging out Reynolds, Oxley for positions

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NEWS EDITOR

The Student Association president will be chosen in a runoff election for the fourth consecutive year.

Scott Slifka and Mark Reynolds will compete next week for the presidential post, while Jon Koa and Ben Oxley vie for the SA executive vice president spot, also in a runoff.

The election results were announced to a few hundred supporters early Thursday morning in J Street.

"My mind was telling me 'yes'—my heart was telling me 'no,'" Slifka said after he received 34.8 percent of the vote. A candidate needs 40 percent of the vote to win the election outright.

"I have nothing to say," a stunned Reynolds said moments after his second place finish, with 25.1 percent, was announced. Later, he said he was happy to be in the runoff, and looking at the results he said he had to get his campaign going.

"This is kind of hard," Burke Strunsky said after finishing third in the five-person race with 20.9

percent. He said while he thought Reynolds and Slifka are "both good guys ... I probably won't support either one of them outwardly."

The only female candidate finished fourth with 14.2 percent of the vote. Philippe Roth said she was glad she ran, but "\$400 down the tubes" went to her campaign materials. She said she felt she lost the race in the graduate, law and medical schools where students feel especially disenfranchised.

"They want security rather than take a chance," she explained.

Ross Bell, the lone graduate student who ran for president, received 5 percent of the vote. He said he liked that people came out to vote against him when he did not campaign at all. He added that

he thought graduate students were not included in the election process and did not have an ample opportunity to vote.

In the EVP race, Koa received 38.2 percent of the vote, just missing the 40 percent needed to avoid a runoff. Koa said he was optimistic about the runoff.

"I feel good about my chances," Koa said. "Hopefully, I can get the support of the candidates (who lost the race), because that's what I'm working for now."

Ben Oxley, who finished second with 25.3 percent of the vote, said he's looking forward to the race, though, next week will be tough. "I've got a lot of catching up to do," he said.

Oxley edged Howard Rosen-

blatt, who finished third with 23.9 percent. "I got the most votes at the law school. That's probably because I stood out there all day Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.," Rosenblatt said.

He said he was glad Oxley made the runoff. "I think he's a great guy, and he really wants to help out the student body," he said.

He said he would stay involved in student government. "I'll just keep my eye on them," he said of next year's SA members.

Graduate student Basir Chand finished in fourth place in the EVP race with 12.6 percent of the vote.

In the race for Program Board chair, Suzanne Dougherty won with 65 percent. Her opponent,

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## Voter turnout is highest since 1992

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More than 2,400 students turned out to vote in this year's elections, the highest number in three years.

A total of 2,413 students voted, a significant increase from the 1,805 who voted in last year's elections. This year's numbers are the highest since 1992, when 2,458 students voted. Michael Musante was elected Student Association president in the runoff.

The total may not have approached the high of 3,261 students who voted in 1989, but Joint Elections Committee members and SA officials said they were pleased with the turnout.

"It's still only a small percentage of the eligible voters, but relatively speaking it's very encouraging," JEC Chair Alex Hartzler said.

SA President Al Park said the turnout was helped by the effort candidates put into posterizing and handing out fliers.

"It says good things about the SA," he said. "I'm glad to have helped build an organization so many people want to be a part of."

A total of 2,180 students voted for SA president. The Marvin Center was the most popular polling place, with 755 votes for president cast. Thurston Hall and Fungur Hall were the second and third most popular places to vote, with 388 students voting for president in Thurston and 348 in Fungur.

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Presidential candidates Scott Slifka (l.) and Mark Reynolds congratulate each other on making it through the first round of student elections Wednesday night. The two will face each other in a runoff election next week.

## GW students join Capitol Hill rally protesting aid cuts

BY JUSTIN BERGMAN  
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About 200 area college students attended a rally on Capitol Hill Wednesday to protest Republican-proposed cuts in student financial aid programs.

Four Democrat members of Congress addressed the students, most of whom were from Georgetown University.

President Clinton recently announced he would like to expand student aid programs, including a new program in which students receive direct loans from the government and pay them back over a longer period of time. This comes at a time when Republicans plan to make deep budget and

tax cuts in order to balance the budget as a part of the "Contract with America."

Freshman Doug Miner, the internship coordinator for the GW College Democrats, said he organized a group of 30 GW students to attend the rally.

Rep. Nita Lowey (D-N.Y.) said students must organize on every campus across the country to protest the financial aid cuts.

"Student loans are an investment in this country. The Republican majority is showing their extremism, and you have to fight them at the ballot box," Lowey said. The students responded by chanting, "Students vote, too" and "Boot the Newt (Gingrich)."

Rep. Lynn Woolsey (D-Calif.) told the students she wanted to take the energy and the

intelligence of the crowd and "pass it out in the House." She said the financial aid cuts are her top priority because more than 1,000 students in her district will lose their loans if the legislation passes.

Woolsey said if students are not able to attend college because they cannot afford it after their loans are taken away, "we won't have people ready to walk the halls of government when we get rid of Newt."

"I want us to tell (Gingrich) ... it will take more than 100 years to put (financial aid) back together, if he takes it away," she added.

Rep. Patricia Schroeder (D-Colo.) said the Republican majority in Congress is fighting a war against children by vowing to take

away their financial aid and money for school lunches. She said students can fight back by using their power to vote.

"They are about to take away from you the opportunity to run this country," she explained. "They think you're not going to vote ... Yes, you can vote."

Sen. Claiborne Pell (D-R.I.), the founder of the Pell grant, also addressed the crowd. He told the students he believes "deeply" in the need to invest in education because the strength of the country depends upon the character and education of the American people.

The rally also featured four area stu-

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# Uncut screening packs MC

Many students walk out while others protest showing

BY MONIQUE L. HARDING  
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HATCHET STAFF WRITERS

The Marvin Center ballroom was packed Monday night with students eager to see what the fuss over the Program Board's showing of *John Wayne Bobbitt Uncut* was all about.

But about 30 minutes into the showing, many in the crowd of 500 got up and left, saying they were disgusted by the pornographic film.

Meanwhile, about 50 students were sitting outside the room as part of an anti-pornography "teach-in" organized to protest the showing of the film.

*Bobbitt Uncut* was shown as part of a series of Program Board-sponsored events on pornography and the First Amendment. A panel discussion Tuesday night offered students the chance to discuss the issues surrounding the showing and the topic of pornography in general.

The film stars John Wayne Bobbitt, who made headlines after his wife Lorena cut off his penis with a kitchen knife in Manassas, Va.

Most of the students who attended the showing of the film said they did so out of curiosity.

"It was supposedly controversial, so I said why not," freshman Will Reiss said.

"I've heard so much about it, I came to see what it was," sophomore Martha Chicosky said.

The media was curious as well - cameras from the major television networks invaded the Marvin Center. The showing of the film was featured on area and national broadcasts Monday night.

Some students were cynical about the media's

treatment of the issue. "The press made (Bobbitt) a celebrity," junior Clive Dorvil said. "But when he tried to capitalize on his injury, that's when the press wanted to cut him off."

The students protesting outside were vocal about their opposition to the showing, saying they hoped to educate people who had come to see the film.

"Granted, they may not have come to our event, but if we can touch them in any way, then we've made one step," Womyn's Issues Now member Rachel Lamangan said. "But we haven't gone the full journey."

Tensions ran high at some points during the event. A student who defended the film, citing the "sacredness of the First Amendment," was met by outbursts of protest, followed by shouts of "Let him have his say" from other students.

One sign at the teach-in read, "Objects never, women forever."

Fifty people attended the panel discussion in Fonger Hall Tuesday night. The attendees discussed the legality of pornography and its effects on society.

National Law Center professor Stephanie Ridder said that because of public safety issues, the state can restrict speech despite the First Amendment.

Young Americans for Freedom member Steve Andrews, also a panelist, called showing the Bobbitt film "tasteless" and said it "reflects badly on GW."

Shelly Martin, a GW sexual assault peer educator, pointed out that "if (the event had been) promoted differently ... we wouldn't have the reputation as Porno U."

-Donna Brutkoski and John Rega  
contributed to this report.

## CORRECTIONS

The article, "Groups announce endorsements," on the front page of the Feb. 27 issue of The GW Hatchet inadvertently switched the candidates endorsed by the College Republicans and College

Democrats in the undergraduate at large Student Association senator races. The CDs endorsed Betsy Bass; the CRs endorsed Jeffrey Carroll.

The article, "Candidates, supporters brave cold to poster," also on the front page of that issue, misspelled the name of Burke Strunsky campaign worker Matt Escoubas.

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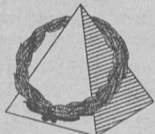
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## Quick fix

As the Senate teeters on the balanced budget amendment, all eyes are focused on the Democrats holding out on their votes of approval. It is likely that the amendment will pass, paving the way to make the first change in the Constitution in more than 25 years. But as monumental as this may seem, Congress would pass an amendment that looks great on paper but might not help much at all.

No one will argue that a multi-trillion dollar debt is good for the economy, but running a deficit for a short time may actually help a country's economy. Historically, Thomas Jefferson would have never been able to acquire the Louisiana Purchase without putting the United States in debt. Now, with emphasis on research and development, a short-term deficit may be a good decision down the road. But narrow-minded Republicans don't see it that way. They want a quick fix for a long-term problem.

The issue of balancing the budget can be likened to the debate of term limits. Not re-electing incumbents is the best form of term limits. Responsible congressional behavior is the best way to balance the budget. Further, the amendment would take years to garner a three-fifths ratification of the states to add it to the Constitution. It would certainly be enacted years after many senators and representatives leave office, dumping the burden of balancing the budget on the Congress of the future.

The way to solve this nation's deficit crisis is not to impose laws that will surely be broken, like the first attempt to balance the budget, the ill-fated Gramm, Rudman, Hollings Act of 1980s. Instead, Congress must take some responsibility to take on the task on its own volition. Congress must take a long, hard look at entitlements and decide whether they are still economically viable. The untouchable Social Security program must be re-evaluated, and pork-barrel projects must be scaled back. A lip-service amendment would only lead to cuts that people won't stand for. Congress should concentrate its efforts on real measures that will benefit the economy now and in the future.

## Freedom of expression

College is the ideal place to expand one's horizons, to learn about different cultures and religions. That is precisely why universities in the United States sponsor religious and cultural student groups – to provide students with similar backgrounds a chance to congregate and to let interested students of all backgrounds learn something new about the world around them. But at the University of Virginia, a fundamentalist Christian student group is being denied the funds to produce its magazine, *Wide Awake*, because of the religious views it espouses.

At the University of Virginia, a public college, all religious groups are prohibited from using school funds to support their groups. The university does, however, fund Jewish and Muslim students groups, claiming that those groups use their money for cultural and not religious purposes.

*Wide Awake* is suing – the case was argued before the Supreme Court Wednesday – and rightly so. The University of Virginia is discriminating against the Christian group, under the veil of separation of church and state.

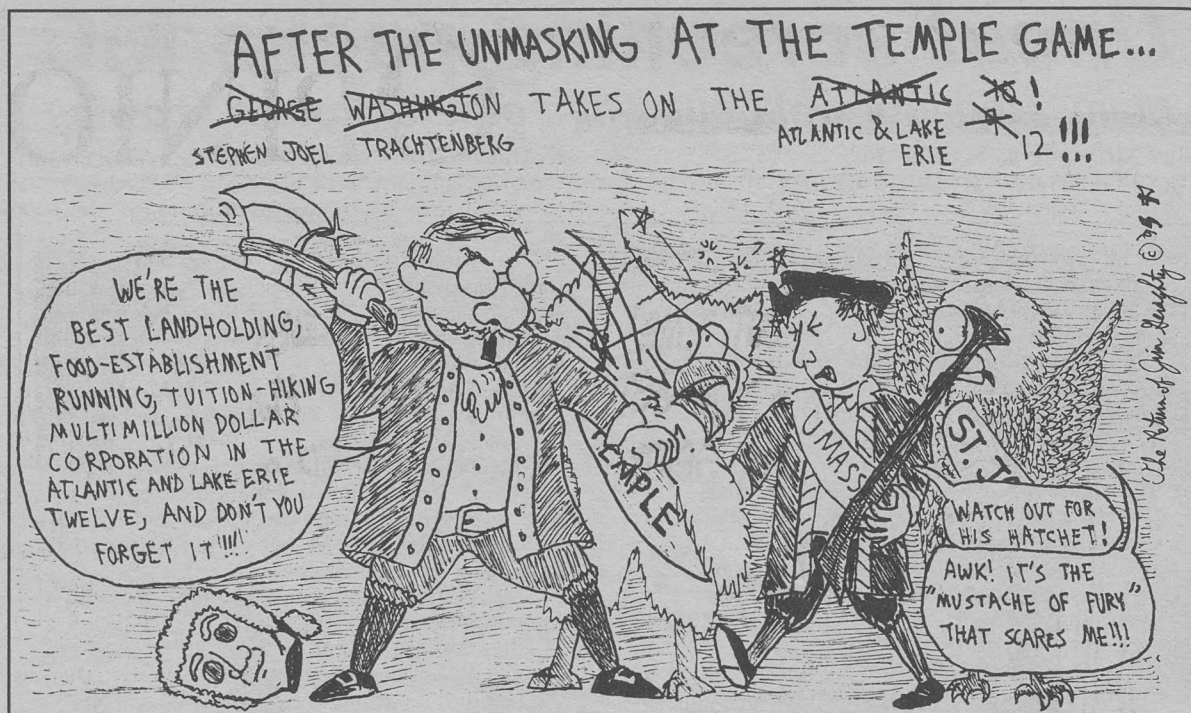
The university should follow an equitable practice when it comes to funding student groups. Those that meet minimum membership funds should qualify for university support. This should apply to any group, religious or cultural, within the bounds of their student code of conduct. The only caveat should be that this funding comes directly or indirectly from student tuition dollars. If citizens of Virginia do not want to fund religious groups on campus with their tax dollars – and that is a logical request – the funds should come from elsewhere. The students are the people who will benefit from student groups; they are the ones who should pay for them.

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Eric Goldberg

## Most welfare recipients just want a life – let's give them a break

I used to think that welfare was only for lazy people who had nothing better to do than sit at home, collect a check every month and then complain how society did not do enough for them. I used to think that welfare gave people an excuse not to work but a reason to have plenty of children. What I used to think was wrong – now I know better.

I am not basing my argument on the countless number of studies that say welfare helps people get back on their feet; there will be no expert testimony. My argument is based on what I have seen over the past year and a half.

For the past year and a half I have worked at a local pharmacy in an upper-middle class Pennsylvania town. Now, you may be thinking: how could the issue of welfare be relevant in an upper-middle class neighborhood? It is quite simple. Only a few towns over from the BMW- and Mercedes-lined driveways, there is a town that has driveways that are filled with Chevys, Fords and broken dreams. It serves as a constant reminder that life is kind to some, but cheats others. It does not matter that the people in the latter town work twice as hard to make not even close to half as much.

From behind the cash register I have seen both sides of the tracks. I have seen the father come in and buy a \$50 or \$60 case of baby formula without hesitation. He will also buy diapers, no matter how expensive, because he has no concept of money; he makes too much to realize what it is all about. I ring him up, put the purchase on his credit card and he strolls out knowing he will be able to pay the bills at the end of the month. I have also seen the father who comes in after working 12 hours at the local gas station. He cannot afford the \$50 or \$60 case of formula; he is hoping to have enough cash to buy one or two containers. He buys diapers as well, but checks all the prices to find the cheapest ones, because there has to be food on the table for the rest of the week. I ring him up, taking the cash from his dirty hands with caked-on dirt underneath the fingernails and watch him stroll out thanking welfare for allowing him to provide for his child.

Perhaps even more telling than that story is the story of a welfare mother that I know all too well. She would come to the pharmacy counter every Sunday afternoon,

but I distinctly remember the first time I saw her. She was dressed in matching sweat pants and sweat-shirt, and her kids were right by her side. In her timid voice she said "Hello, I'm here to get some prescriptions filled." I filled out the information that was needed and then asked if she had any type of insurance (we can directly bill the company if the person does), and she looked down at her pocketbook, fumbled through it for a bit and pulled out a white card. I had seen plenty of white cards before, but never one like this. On the card was printed something to the effect of Pennsylvania Medical Assistance, which I later learned was welfare. She handed it to me, saying nothing, looking ashamed – looking as though in some way she had failed. The sad part is that every time she came back it was the exact same look as she handed me the card.

The question then is why does she feel so ashamed? Why does she feel like a failure? It is because those of us who are fortunate enough not to have to experience the welfare life make them feel that way. They do not look at us and say "let's see how I can take their money," they look at us and say "someday I will be like them, someday I will get off welfare." There are those who will look down upon welfare recipients based on no other fact than that they are on welfare. The problem is the more society views those on welfare as a liability, the more those on welfare feel useless.

I agree that there are some people who will cheat the system, that there are some that are even willing to resign themselves to the welfare life. My argument does not concern itself with these people, because I have no desire to help them if they have no desire to help themselves. These people are far fewer in number than those who would like nothing better than to have a steady job and not have to worry about putting food on the table every night. There are some, like Pat Buchanan and Pat Robertson, who will have you believe that welfare families have no determination to work and would rather have children to make money than get a real job.

But Buchanan and Robertson are naive and ignorant. People who are on welfare want nothing more than to get off of it. The problem is not that they cannot because of the way our society is structured. Let's say that a worker at a gas station

decides he wants to quit his job, go back to school and get his degree in accounting. He had to stop going to school because his wife had a child when he was 20, and he knew that he now had to support a family. The problem is that he cannot go to college now because he does not have enough money and most likely he never will. It does not matter that he was a straight-"A" student or that he went to an elite college for two years; he is stuck with his life and he knows it. He goes home every night wanting the big house and fancy car, knowing that he cannot have either. We as a society should be content to say, "Sure we help them out, but we know they are doing the best they can." Some, like Buchanan and Robertson, foolishly believe otherwise.

They do not know the story of another woman who used to come in to the pharmacy, a young mother in her mid-20s, who is also on welfare. After her first child was born she did not decide to keep having children; in fact she was still on birth control when I left to come down to school in the fall. I do not know whether she has a job, but I do know that her child became sick over the summer and that she needed to get medicine for him. She also pulled out a card, but this one was yellow. It was also a medical assistance card, and she was just as ashamed as the other woman to hand it to me, but my lasting impression of her came when it was time to pay for her prescription. A crowd had gathered around the register (it was Monday – our busiest night at the store), and I told her that her prescription was free, as it was every other time she had come in. She looked at me as though I had let her down; it was almost as if she wanted to pay for her prescription to avoid her feeling embarrassed in front of the other people.

That is a more accurate picture of welfare than those like Buchanan will tell you. The fact is that only a small percentage of people on welfare actually want to be there. Most ask not for the world, but for respectability, and it is my contention that we give it to them. It is so much easier to look down upon welfare recipients when you are at the top of the mountain. They are only trying to make it halfway up the hill, and it would be a lot easier climb if we were not rolling boulders down at them all the time.

Eric Goldberg, a freshman, has not decided on a major.

# OPINION



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Going, going, gone?

The financial aid package you will be offered this spring will be taken away this summer! That's correct. If what the Contract for America calls for is passed, the University will have to take back parts of the package because Congress would have taken back the funding. Programs that will be cut include Perkins loans, work-study, Pell grants, Supplemental Educational Opportunity grants, graduate education programs and more.

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Act now or you may find yourself at home next semester.

-Graham Fraser

### Save the earth

Just like all interest groups, environmentalists have traditionally sought to appeal to the society at large to heed their advice and join their cause. But unlike other interest groups and narrowly defined organizations, environmentalists and environmentalism, are so broad in scope and so far reaching in its subject matter that it has grown to include people from all walks of life and from a variety of backgrounds.

For example, although there is still a plethora of political battles being waged over national and global environmental issues here in Washington, there is an increasing number of non-political, everyday people who are increasingly realizing that their interests lie in reducing human impact on the environment simply by making common sense changes in every day life.

Here at GW, students, professors and administrators are ambitiously planning a "Green University." They're looking at how our University functions - its energy inputs and its waste outputs, its recycling programs and its academic environmental offerings so that gradually, depending on the level of student involvement, real improve-

ments will be made throughout the school.

This constitutes a shift in the traditional Washington thinking. Remember, it was only a few years ago that GW had barely any environmental courses and almost no recycling. Now we're examining the big picture. How much money can we save by increasing energy efficiency? How much pollution can we avoid producing? Can we learn more than we have in the past about the natural world and its intricate, interrelated ecosystems?

But in order for any of this to work, students and faculty members need to get involved. Student-led groups such as Students for Environmental Action and the National Association for Environmental Professionals are finding more and more projects to commit to and are finding they need more and more students to join them. The good news is that since the Green University plan and these environmental clubs are not exclusive, you don't have to be "crunchy" nor a "radical-extremist" to get involved. In fact, much of what needs to be done on campus can be achieved by students working together a few hours a week toward progressive changes in the way our University operates.

-David Maurer

## Welfare system must be discussed, not scrapped



Andrew Pearlman

There is widespread belief that our current welfare system has atrophied into a breeding ground for dependency that harms more than it helps. But despite the resounding plea for reform, there is great disagreement between the plans presented.

The current Republican proposals would limit the amount of time one could remain on welfare while also offering meager work requirements in which 2 percent would be required to work by 1996 and 20 percent by 2003. Essentially, Republicans propose to end benefits without providing adequate employment opportunities. The Democrats, on the other hand, are looking to employ all able-body recipients.

Therefore, welfare reform becomes a choice between cutting benefits and making recipients work for them. Conservatives will claim that ending benefits will actually help welfare recipients. It's what they call "tough love." They rationalize their austere measure by claiming that a moratorium on benefits will give the poor a stern wake up call to go out and get jobs. They believe a hard stick is what's needed to get them in line. Cutting budgetary spending lies somewhere in the conservative argument, but they would likely decline in proclaiming it their main reason for eliminating benefits.

Democrats want recipients to work for their benefits. If an able-body receiver of welfare declines to work, he or she would simply be declined benefits. No longer would the welfare state's get something-for-nothing entitlement ethos exist. Recipients would adopt a work ethic that propounds responsibility, hard work and other highly vaunted American values. And this is certainly a societal good that cannot merely be measured in dollars and cents. But the economics of this welfare plan seem also beneficial. Evicting the underclass on to the street certainly isn't about to create more consumers of goods

and workers in the labor force. The economic benefits of an expanded working class will greatly exceed the minimal amount of dollars needed to fund a job initiation program.

If conservatives, moderates and liberals are serious when they assert that getting welfare recipients off the rolls and into jobs is their main objective, then it should essentially be irrelevant how those jobs are provided. That is, unless cost consciousness is their greater concern.

But what both sides must fundamentally remember, is that there is more at stake in welfare reform than merely jobs and spending cuts. One primary repercussion of the Nov. 8 election was the American public's rejection of the welfare state as it currently exists, since it runs contrary to American values. And these values are in part shaped by the glue that holds nations together - work. The welfare state robs its people of not only work, but also and perhaps more importantly, a work ethic. An ethic that echoes the values our founding fathers and the generations which followed stood for. To discourage work by rejecting a welfare reform that links benefits to employment, conservatives contradict the value-oriented platform that they have so rigorously pursued.

In today's political climate, there is a Barry Goldwater-like mentality to seek out cuts in every governmental program and regulation under the sun. More individual freedom from an intrusive government sounds enticing. But do we truly know the first thing about what freedom from government is? We vigorously demand it, yet could any of us identify it if it crawled up our ass? Is it the freedom to grow up in a neighborhood where toxic sludge is dumped? Or is it the freedom to live in a city where one isn't permitted to go outside and breathe in the air? Or could it even be the freedom to stumble over the corpses of the dead homeless on the way to class? Before we start slashing everything in sight, we need a discussion on where it is exactly that we are going.

Andrew Pearlman, a junior, is majoring in English.

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## GW's AIDS week to 'make a difference'

BY JENNIFER RELLIS  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

"I'll tell you how the sun rose,  
one ribbon at a time."  
This line from an Emily Dickinson poem entitled "A Day" is

the theme for AIDS Awareness Week, April 8 to 14, according to Jacci Gruninger, the adviser for the student committee planning the event.

Gruninger said this quote embodies the message behind the week. "Even one person can make a difference. We can put up a lot of ribbons and change a lot of lives," she said.

Fifteen-foot red ribbons will adorn campus buildings. Students in each residence hall will be offered a choice of six different educational programs and will have bulletin board material.

The week will include a candle-light vigil on the University Yard, a showing of the film *Forrest Gump*, an AIDS service and support fair and barbecue and a Gelman Library coffeehouse and poetry reading. A concert is tentatively planned for the week.

The committee is sponsoring also a "Rubber Party" this Saturday, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Letterman Room of the Smith Center. The event is free.

Gruninger said the 20 student committee has met once a week since September to plan the event, which has a \$5,000 budget.

The week is sponsored by the Natural High program. The Student Association also gave about \$1,500 of financial support, SA President Al Park said.

Park anticipated a good week and said he encourages "students to come out and learn more about AIDS."



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## Student leader money not cut for next year

Student leader stipends will not be lowered in the coming year, Student Association officials said.

Although a subcommittee of the Joint Committee of Faculty and Students was formed to re-evaluate the stipends, the committee has decided to keep the amounts the same for the current year, SA undergraduate Sen. Scott Mory (CCGSAS) said.

"Those who are running for office ran under the assumption (that winners would receive) the stipends," Mory said.

Currently, a stipend equaling half of undergraduate tuition is given to the Student Association president, the Program Board chair, the editor in chief of The GW Hatchet and the editor of The Cherry Tree Yearbook.

Mory took over the chairmanship of the JCFS subcommittee examining the stipends after the resignation of former chair Gary Weisman. Weisman also resigned his position as SA vice president for academic affairs last week.

"Right now I need to sit down with Gary and see where everything is," Mory said.

There is an ongoing discussion about changes in the stipends, according to SA President Al Park. "People are interested in the best utilization of the funds, rewarding University leaders while being cost efficient," he said.

Park said the committee would consider adding academic requirements to the stipend provisions.

-Erica Frankel

## Nicole Paul murder trial moved to March 13

The trial of a man accused of murdering a GW employee and graduate student was postponed to March 13.

Victoriano Savinon's trial was scheduled to begin in D.C. Superior Court Feb. 28, but a continuance postponed it for two weeks. Savinon will be tried for the murder of Nicole Paul, a GW student who worked in the Telecommunications office. Paul was killed in her Northwest apartment in June.

A spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's office said motions in the trial will likely take place March 13. The defense is expected to file a motion asking for Savinon's release, because he has been in jail awaiting trial since June.

-Donna Brutkoski

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## The The sees Hank's light

BY MARK ESPOSITO  
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Growing up in the suburbs of New Jersey, I was never very big on country music. The closest I came was The Nashville Network. But over the years, re-issues and covers of such classic songs as "King of the Road" by Roger Miller or Johnny Cash's "Ring of Fire" gave me a new insight into a genre that was strangely foreign.

But now, my musical metamorphosis has hit a high water mark once again by the release of *Hanky Panky* (550 Music/Epic), the latest album by the Britain's The The. Fronted by Matt Johnson, The The has had a successful career in the modern rock scene, writing its own songs and performing in its own way. Rather than an assault on the senses, the band has chosen to mix slow ballads with quicker songs about love, lust and life.

But *Hanky Panky* isn't another modern rock album. Johnson has taken the selected work of Hank Williams Sr. and devoted this album as an homage to Williams' work. "There are few songwriters in this century who have expressed the deep ache of loneliness and longing for love as darkly and sweetly as Hank Williams," Johnson says in the press release.

After listening to *Hanky Panky* you'll find that Johnson's reworking is true to the original songs and



You can take Matt Johnson out of the country, but you can't take the country out of The The.

just as poignant. Some of the true classics, such as "There's a Tear in My Beer," "I Saw the Light" and "I Can't Escape From You" are on this album in forms that are gripping.

This power that Johnson holds and is able to manipulate to create incredibly diverse music is evident on the upbeat "I Saw the Light." A whirlpool of guitars, a mean harp, a relentless backbeat and Williams' intense lyrics about finding God and redemption makes "Light" a standout song. "I was a fool to wander and stray/For straight the gate and narrow the way/ Now I have traded the wrong for the right/ Praise the Lord, I saw the Light."

But "Light" quickly changes gears to the slower ballad about deceived love in "Your Cheatin'

Heart." "Your cheatin' heart will pine someday/And crave the love you threw away/The time will come when you'll be blue/ Your cheatin' heart will tell on you."

Johnson's gravel-like voice, coupled with the D.C. Collard on keyboards, Jim Fitting on harmonica, Brian MacLeod on drums and Eric Schermerhorn on guitar have produced an album that revitalizes Williams work for a new generation. *Hanky Panky* is a fitting tribute and a worthwhile follow-up to The The's successful album, *Dusk*, and its singles "Dogs of Lust" and "Love is Stronger than Death."

But the band is not resting on just this accomplishment. This summer it will release an LP of original material called *Gun Sluts*, followed by a U.S. tour. But until then, you can find me at Denim and Diamonds having a beer.

## There's this new book that you might like

BY DAVID LARIMER  
ARTS EDITOR

I read a book and it was pretty weird.

*I Made Some Brownies and they were pretty good* (Andrews and McMeel) is written by a guy named Jim. Just Jim. Apparently, it's autobiographical, in which case it's safe to say that someone should be deeply, deeply concerned about his welfare.

It's one of those books that German filmmakers would likely call brilliant. The expressionless stick figure scribbles are simple enough to make Charles Schulz look like Rembrandt. The realization that the whole thing is insane comes after about three pages of reading.

*I Made Some Brownies and they were pretty good* is the third in the "Jim's Journal" series, one that has managed to gain a cult following and marks a new frontier in cartoon weirdness. Nothing, absolutely nothing, happens. It does not revolve on a serial, ongoing plotline basis, a la Marvel Comics. There's not even any sort of plot within any one strip. The comic resembles not so much "The Far Side" as a Steven Wright routine without the punchlines.

It is so bland that it's bizarre, so boring that it is funny. "Today I saw somebody who said he lost the little latch from his watch," the first frame of one noteworthy strip (a blatant oxymoron) reads. "I helped him look for it," the second frame continues. After a wordless third frame that shows the two men searching on all fours, the final frame concludes, "Found it!" he said after a while."

Nothing matters to Jim that much. The strongest qualifier he'll place on anything is "okay" or if he is really fired up, "pretty good." At first, his apathy is annoying; later, it becomes depressing; finally, I couldn't help but become a student of his couch potato Zen. But at some point, somehow, *I Made Some Brownies and they were pretty good's* subtle-to-the-point-of-nonexistent brand of humor is effective, though in relatively small doses.

Read one strip and you'll hopefully assume that it will lead to something. Read two and you'll ask yourself what the hell is going on. Read four or five and its pointlessness will become funny. Read beyond that, though, and God help you.

I, for one, began to think like Jim:

Jim works at a copy store. He seems nice, but he's pretty quiet. His clock doesn't work. He has a cat named Mr. Peterson, but it looks sort of like a rat and is really a girl. He gets tired, so he takes naps. He watches TV sometimes, but he doesn't seem to like it very much. He doesn't know many people. He eats peanut butter or cheese sandwiches and sometimes beans.

Incidentally, Jim has also written *I Went to College and it was okay* and *I Got a Job and it wasn't that bad*. They might be pretty good, too. But I haven't read them, because I've been kind of tired lately.

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## WORKING TOWARD A GREEN UNIVERSITY

## Students swim in SEA of environmental concerns

BY MARY GLEASON  
HATCHET REPORTER

Harsh winds and falling snow could not stop the pack of 1,500 environmentally-minded students that filled Market Street in Philadelphia on Feb. 26. The cries of "Free the planet!" and "We don't need corporate greed!" echoed in the streets as the group marched through red lights, stopping traffic. Their signs and voices conveyed the message clearly: these student were on a mission.

The object was to Free the Planet, and 10 GW students from Campus Outdoor Recreation Enthusiasts, Students for Environmental Action and others interested in the environment attended the Emergency Campus Environmental Conference. These environmentally-conscious students headed to Philadelphia to learn more about pressing environmental issues, to make plans for Earth Day and to train to defend the environment.

Environmentalists and student leaders from more than 30 states participated in the conference at the University of Pennsylvania. Keynote speaker and consumer interest advocate Ralph Nader urged students to speak out and to be heard against corporate power. Nader riled the crowd by reminding them of their label as

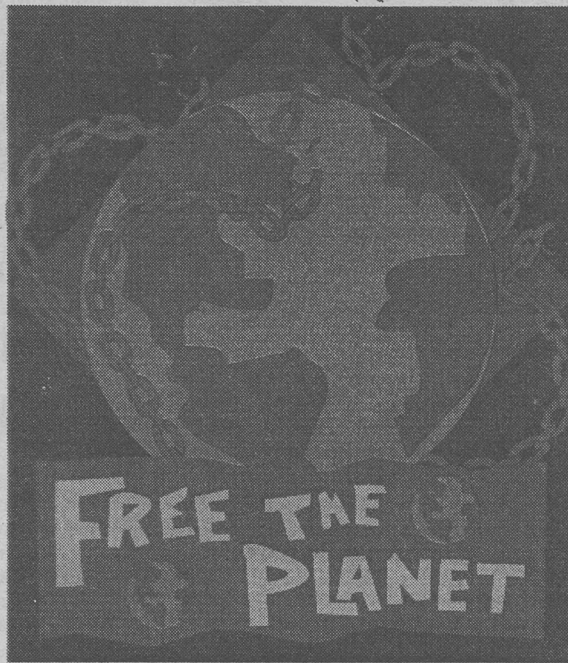
"Generation X."

"They call you Generation X, so give them your X," he commanded, stressing the need for young people to become politically involved and to cause positive change.

The talk of activism spurred spontaneous action during Saturday afternoon's lunch break when students marched to the nearby Sunoco building to protest the company's "green-washing" practices. Green-washing is the term for giving the appearance of being environmentally-friendly or "green" to attract customers while not actually meeting environmental standards.

Sunoco published a list of ways they were planning to improve their actions regarding the environment. However, they printed at the bottom of the leaflet that they were not legally responsible for meeting any of their self-imposed deadlines for the clean up.

"Environmentalism is about more than hugging trees and kissing bunnies. It's about combating the corporate forces that plague the environmental conditions of



this country," sophomore and SEA member Jeffrey Caltabiano explains.

The event marked the beginning of the national Free the Planet campaign, a comprehensive project to reclaim the land from polluting corporate interests by activating and politicizing students.

The GW contingent at the con-

ference says it feels it learned valuable skills to use here on campus. SEA member David Maurer, an environmental politics major in the Graduate School of Political Management, describes how the group works with GW administrators to find alternatives to using Styrofoam in the dining facilities.

Ideas include washing dishes, using paper products and using agricultural products including a plate made of potato starch, sugar beet starch and wheat by-products, which is used widely in Germany. He admits any alternative could have negative environmental consequences, but adds, "One thing that is pretty well-known is that Styrofoam and (plastic ware is) the most detrimental to the environment."

Maurer notes the GW administrators and J Street have been receptive to environmental concerns. "It wasn't like they decided to pollute the environment. They just were not aware that Styrofoam does not biodegrade," he says.

SEA is also planning a petition drive to promote 25 positive

demands Congress and corporations must obey to protect the environment.

"The petition is aimed at Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.), who targeted many pro-environmental laws for overturning in his Contract for America," sophomore SEA member Britta Jensen says. Congress has proposed weakening existing environmental laws, such as the Endangered Species Act, to cut spending.

"The 'Green University' plan has to be a movement to succeed," Maurer said. He describes how the students and faculty need to drive the initiative the administrators have proposed. He says this is one of SEA's goals.

"We need to get more students involved. (This organization) is not a radical thing where we are debating saving the rain forest, but more one where we talk about cleaning up your own backyard," he says.

GW has always been known for its students' strong interest in political science. Students in C.O.R.E. and SEA hope they can use this to gain support for their environmental cause.

Sophomore Shana Samson says, "It's time to take advantage of our location and show the government that students have a united voice of concern."

-Karen D. Ancillai  
contributed to this report

## Why not work on something besides a tan this summer?

BY KAREN D. ANCILLAI  
FEATURES EDITOR

Does the number "10" have any earth shattering significance to you right now? It should. No, it's not the number of years left in the O.J. Simpson trial. Believe it or not, 10 is the number of weeks remaining in the semester. You don't even need to pull off your socks and use your toes to count that high.

Maybe then now is the time to take a break from your studying for midterms and think about what you are going to do after finals. The summer isn't just a time for bikinis and beach volleyball, unless your name is Brandon or Kelly. Why not seize the (hazy, hot and humid) day to try something new at an internship or workshop? Here are a few suggestions:

•The D.C. Hotline's Phone Friend program is seeking volunteers to lend support and counseling on the phone. The program is designed to help children who are lonely, scared, need help with their homework, had a fight with a friend or parent or just need someone to talk to. PhoneFriend operates weekdays from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Hotline needs volunteers to work one two-hour shift each week. The next training session begins April 8. For more information call Amel Logan at (202) 223-0020.

•The Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History is looking for volunteers to help visitors and to lead tours of the hands-on Discovery Room, the creepy-crawly

O. Orkin Insect Zoo and its new exhibit "Ocean Planet," opening in mid-April. Training for the "Ocean Planet" volunteers begins in March. Volunteers for the other two exhibitions are accepted at any time throughout the year and will receive formal training.

Positions are open for weekday or weekend shifts. Bilingual speakers are encouraged to join. For more information, call Magda Schremp at (202) 357-3045.

•The Student Conservation Association is seeking applicants for the summer/fall season to its expense-paid Resource Assistant Program workshops. Volunteers work for 40 hours a week for three months on projects including air and water quality monitoring, ecological restoration, endangered

species protection, natural resources management and oil spill damage assessment.

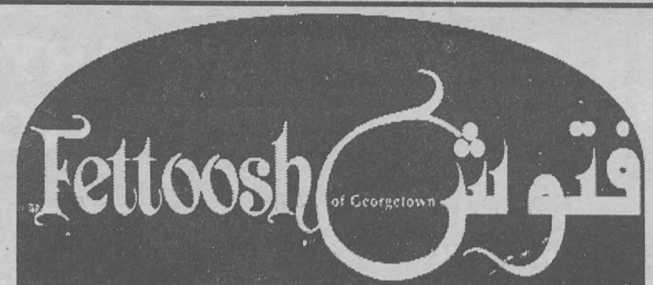
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•Students who want to be the next Steven Spielberg or John Singleton can learn to write, direct, shoot and edit their own films this summer.

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# Voting machine malfunction may prompt lawsuit

BY TRACY SISSER  
MANAGING EDITOR

An SA candidate said he may file a suit against the Joint Elections Committee protesting the legitimacy of the senator at large election.

Jonathan Pompan, a candidate for the undergraduate at large

Senate seat, said a voting machine in the Marvin Center malfunctioned and did not register votes for him.

"When a voting machine is broken, clearly there is something wrong with the election," he said.

JEC chair Alex Hartzler said that any malfunctions would not have affected the outcome of the race. Hartzler said based on the

votes counted from that machine, Pompan could not have won even if he had received all the votes logged during the time the machine was broken.

Before the election results were announced, Pompan said, "The ballot didn't say, 'vote for two' until late yesterday." He added that the names also appeared in the wrong order.

"The JEC should nullify the results of the current election and conduct another election," he said.

After the election results, however, he said he would sleep on it and give it a lot of thought before he decided if he should contest the election.

In cases such as these, the candidate makes a complaint with the JEC and the election committee rules on it. The student can then appeal to the Student Court, which makes a final decision.

He said he needs to determine if he would want to make himself and the other candidates go through the whole process again.

It would be tough, "physically, socially and emotionally," he said.

SA President Al Park said Pompan would have to decide if he wanted to sue the JEC.

Park said he tried to talk Pompan out of filing the suit. He

said the Court probably would make the decision on the basis of injury, and he clearly would not have won the election, Park said.

He did say that he would support Pompan's suit and file an amicus brief.

Hartzler said the JEC will rule on candidate for SA executive vice president's Basir Chand's appeal of Computer Information Resource Center fines. He also said Burke Strunsky had filed an appeal protesting fines that he had heard he had accumulated. The JEC had not made a final ruling on the fines before the appeal was filed, Hartzler said.

Student Court Chief Justice Jon Tarnow said this is the first year there were no cases before the Court prior to election day.

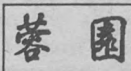
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## Democratic legislators say they won't cut student aid

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dents, who gave their own stories in favor of not slashing financial aid.

GW freshman Jenny-Brooke Condon said two of her sisters and her mother are all attending college, and "financial assistance has been a lifeline." She said there is no logic to explain why hard-working Americans should be denied an education if financial aid is cut.

Trelawny Thompson, a Georgetown junior, said she has a dream of being the first person in her family to graduate from college. She said she currently has three federal loans and a work-study job.

"Some members of the federal government are trying to take my dream away from me," she said. "All of my hard work will be taken away (if financial aid is cut)."

Susan Gorman, a sophomore at Georgetown, said her brother is also in college and her sister will be going to college next year. She said her father died of lung cancer in April, which left her family "emotionally and financially devastated."

Her financial aid package at Georgetown increased this year,

and she was able to return to school, but she said her and her sister are realizing again they might have to transfer to schools closer to home if their financial aid is slashed.

"The government has failed to consult the students about cuts in financial aid," Georgetown student Carlyn McVey said. "Just as (Rep. John) Kasich (R-Ohio) has the ability to decide my future with his vote in Congress, I have the ability to decide his future with my vote."

McVey said her father lost his job at the same time she was applying to colleges, and financial aid made it possible for her to attend Georgetown.

Miner said about 60 percent of GW students are on financial aid, and the cuts are going "to really hit our pocketbooks." He said students can make a difference if their voices are heard.

The group he brought to the rally included students from the College Democrats, the College Republicans and the Black Peoples' Union.

Miner said a national rally is tentatively being planned for the beginning of April.

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# election '95

## SA president, EVP races to be decided in runoffs next week

(from p.1)

Scott Marcus, received 34.9 percent. Dougherty said while she was very happy, she was "very nervous." She said the first thing she would do would be to call her mother.

"And sleep," she added, after the results were announced at 2 a.m.

In the at large undergraduate Senate race, the coalition of Betsy Bass and Brad Jacobs grabbed the two seats. Bass received 35 percent of the vote, while Jacobs came in second with 25 percent.

Bass said she was happy that it was over and that she felt relieved. Jacobs repeated several times that he was excited to have won the seat. "I'm at a loss for words," he said.

Jeffrey Carroll finished in third place with 14.5 percent, freshman senator Jonathan Pompan received 14.2 percent and Tarik Ahmed got 6.7 percent. Huma Abedin, whose name remained on the ballot even though she withdrew from the race, received 6.7 percent.

Scott Mory was elected to his third term as a Columbian College and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences undergraduate senator, with 17.1 percent of the vote. The other three CCGSAS undergraduate Senate seats went to: Heather Dellinger with 16.6 percent, Dianne Gayoski with 14.9 percent and Lance Rothenberg with 13.8 percent of the vote.

Mory, who won every voting station except for Thurston Hall, said he hopes to continue all the programs he has started. He said that this election "is an affirmation of all the policies and projects that I support."

When asked why he did not run for president or EVP, Mory said he is happy with the job he has and the Senate is where he serves the students and the SA best.

Dellinger, whose position of vice president for student activities was eliminated by a referendum, said she was looking forward to being in the Senate next year.

Gayoski was re-elected to the

position she was appointed to last fall. She said she would continue to serve the SA to the "best of her ability."

Rothenberg credited the support of Greek-letter organizations in his victory. "People underestimate the potential Greeks have for getting votes," Rothenberg said.

Four students ran unsuccessfully for the CCGSAS seats. Dan Blair received 12.3 percent, Mark Kohn garnered 10.4 percent, Ryan Taylor got 9.8 percent and Usman Waheed finished with 5.1 percent.

In the Elliott School of International Affairs race, for the first time there were two seats. Twinkle Vaidya captured first place with 28.4 percent of the vote. Vaidya, who is currently president of Thurston Hall, said she was "speechless."

The second ESIA Sen.-elect, David Salkeld, said he was relieved to win a close race. Salkeld received 26.2 percent of the vote, only one vote more than third-place Mike Weaver, who got 26 percent.

## 2,400 students vote in elections

(from p.1)

Mark Reynolds won the Marvin Center with 232 votes to Scott Slifka's 218. Slifka won Thurston Hall easily with 135 votes to Reynolds's 63, but Reynolds squeaked out a victory over Slifka in Fungur Hall by only two votes, 116 to 114.

In the race for executive vice president, 1,979 students voted. Jon Koa won the Marvin Center with 276 votes to Ben Oxley's 192. Koa also won Fungur Hall with 115 votes to Oxley's 95. Oxley came close to winning Thurston Hall but fell behind Koa by only one vote, 111-110.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, candidates made their last push to garner votes from students by handing out campaign information outside voting locations.

Although voter turnout was high, several students said they did not plan to vote or were not informed about the candidates.

Erica Burbank, a sophomore who said she would not vote, said on Wednesday that she was "completely unaware of who is running."

"I don't really know what each candidate stands for," junior Yung Kim said, adding that he did not vote.

Freshman Mike Moran said on Wednesday that he was not voting because he did not know anything about the candidates and he did not care about the elections.

Freshman Sasha Stearns said she planned on voting late on Wednesday. "I haven't really heard much about the candidates," she said.

Freshman Masako Rarkwa said palm carding helped her make up her mind on who she would vote

1995 - 1996 Election Winners	
<b>The Student Association:</b>	SMHS senator Klanc White (100%)
President (1)	At large undergraduate senator (2) Betsy Bass (35%) Brad Jacobs (25%)
✓ Mark Reynolds (25.1%) ✓ Scott Slifka (34.8%)	At large graduate senator (2) David Chambliss Jahna Hartwig*
Executive Vice President (1)	<b>Marvin Center Governing Board:</b>
✓ Jon Koa (38.2%) ✓ Ben Oxley (25.3%)	At large representative (3) Andrea Miles (43.3%) Jason P. Miller (36.8%) Omer Totonji (19.9%)
CCGSAS undergraduate senator (4)	JDSB representative (1) Charles Hanus
Heather Dellinger (16.6%) Dianne Gayoski (14.9%) Scott Mory (17.1%) Lance Rothenberg (13.8%)	Graduate student representative (1) Chris Ferguson (100%)
CCGSAS graduate senator (1)	<b>Program Board:</b>
Jennifer Morey	Chair (1) Suzanne Dougherty (65.1%)
SBPM undergraduate senator (1)	Vice chair (1) Rodney Salinas (100%)
Daniel Reilly (58.5%)	Treasurer (1) J.G. Emptaz-Collomb (100%)
SBPM graduate senator (3)	Secretary (1) Jennifer Oatman (100%)
Basir Chand (100%) Gyung Ju Jun	✓ Signifies runoff ● Signifies write-in winner ▲ Signifies that competitor resigned * Signifies winner of two offices, of which winner must choose one
NLC senator (2)	
Jennifer Brooks (100%) Caroline Charzewski	
SEHD graduate senator (1)	
Angella Griffin (100%)	
ESIA undergraduate senator (2)	
David Salkeld (26.2%) Twinkle Vaidya (28.4%)	
ESIA graduate senator (1)	
Jahna Hartwig*	
SEAS undergraduate senator (1)	
Damian McKenna (100%)	

Source: Joint Elections Committee

Freshman Michael Arcati finished fourth in the ESIA race with 12.8 percent, and Harold Bollaci got 6.7 percent.

In the final contested race in the School of Business and Public Management, Dan Reilly edged out

Jason Chautin with 58.5 percent.

-Karen D. Ancillai, Justin Bergman, Donna Brutkoski, Jim Geraghty, Shannon Joyce, Kynan Kelly, Lee Rumbarger, Tracy Sisser, Jared Sher and Andrew Tarnoff contributed to this report.

## Both referenda pass; SA freshmen get vote

### Cutting of student activities VP also approved

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI  
NEWS EDITOR

Voters passed both referenda on this year's ballot, giving freshman and first-year graduate senators in the Student Association the right to vote and eliminating the SA vice president for student activities.

The referendum granting the vote to all senators was overwhelmingly approved, with 85 percent of students (1,128 votes) supporting it and only 15 percent (198 votes) opposing it.

The referendum cutting the vice president position passed with a smaller but still comfortable margin, with 57 percent (688 votes) supporting it and 43 percent (524 votes) opposing it.

"The students have decided that every senator has the right to vote, and that freshmen and first-year graduate students are capable and deserving of this right," freshman senator Elizabeth Alexander said. "Next year's freshmen senators will be able to represent their constituents and have their voices heard."

Alexander said freshmen and first-year graduate students have "specific needs" that justify the need for the vote.

"This is a vindication of the work Elizabeth and I have done this year," freshman senator Jonathan Pompan said.

Pompan and Alexander drafted the legislation to put the referendum on the ballot, and Pompan made the issue a key point in his campaign for re-election, which he lost but may appeal.

SA President Al Park said the passage of the referendum eliminating the vice president for student activities was "a sign that students want the SA" to be more streamlined.

Park said the SA would work on "refining and concentrating on what we do best." He said with the elimination of the position, the SA would begin to work more with Program Board on Homecoming, a role the student activities vice president currently oversees.

## FINES TO DATE

JEC Fines to date:

• Matthew Hopcroft, candidate for SEAS undergraduate senator, withdrew from the race on Feb. 27 and forfeited his deposit.

• Presidential candidate Burke Strunsky was fined 10 points and banned from all residence halls for violating Residence Hall Association campaigning rules on Feb. 27.

• Basir Chand, executive vice president candidate, was issued a written warning for violating RHA campaigning rules on Feb. 27.

• Lance Rothenberg, candidate for CCGSAS undergraduate senator, was fined five points on Feb. 27 for violating poster regulations.

• Chand was also fined 15 points on Feb. 27 for Computer and Information Resources Center violations.

• Chand was fined 10 points on Feb. 23 for missing a mandatory Joint Elections Committee forum.

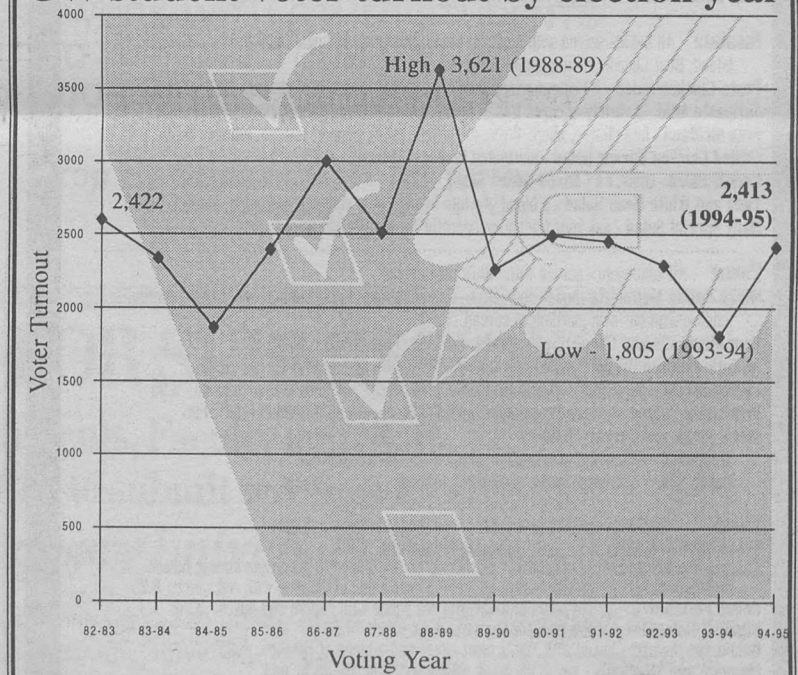
• Chand was fined 15 points on Feb. 23 for CIRC violations.

• Howard Rosenblatt, EVP candidate, was fined 10 points on Feb. 22 for early postering.

• Dan Blair, CCGSAS undergraduate senator candidate, was fined 10 points on Feb. 14 for distributing campaign materials in the Marvin Center.

Source: Joint Elections Committee

## GW student voter turnout by election year



for. She said she would vote for students on name recognition, since she really did not know anything else about them.

Students working for candidates said they received mixed reactions to their fliers.

"I've spent the last two days doing palm carding and nothing but," said freshman Nate Tamarin, who worked for unsuccessful presidential candidate Burke Strunsky. "Half the time people take them - sometimes resignedly, sometimes welcoming - and half the time I get stares, muttered at and sneered at."

Mike Hoover, who handed out fliers for presidential candidate Mark Reynolds, said he felt it was effective for people to see students out doing footwork for the candidates. "It shows something," he said.

Allison Abt, who handed out palm cards for the two winners of the undergraduate at large Senate seats, Brad Jacobs and Betsy Bass, said she was surprised at how rude students were to palm carders, par-

ticularly outside Thurston Hall. She said several students either ignored her or threw the fliers on the ground.

"I feel like I'm promoting a bar," said Jonathan Pompan, who lost his bid for undergraduate at large senator.

Some candidates used gimmicks to spice up their message. Slifka's campaign handed out Blow Pops attached to a piece of paper warning students not to "blow it."

Tamarin said he brought Strunsky's dog, Kennedy, with him on Tuesday, which "attracted a lot of attention and made it easier to give fliers out."

Philippe Roth, who lost her campaign for president, said she handed out bags of doughnuts Wednesday morning to medical school students outside of Ross Hall at 7:45 a.m. "A little sugar in the morning never hurt anyone," she said.

Reynolds said he stuck to simply putting his message out. "The day I resort to bribery is the day I quit," he said.

# Former governor calls for women's activism

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI  
News Editor

Former Vermont Gov. Madeleine Kunin said women cannot continue to take a back seat in the political arena but instead need to speak up in order to succeed.

In a speech at the Visitors' Center Tuesday night, Kunin discussed the barriers she overcame to become the fourth woman governor in American history.

"We do not give women the same kind of training and opportunity to speak and debate," said Kunin. "Women have excused

themselves and also been excused."

Kunin used examples from her own political life to illustrate the problems that women in politics face.

"The largest barrier today is simply a very high level of disillusionment with the system itself," she said, adding that often women or minority politicians are haunted by the idea that "only certain kinds of people fit the political mold."

She remembered entering the Vermont state House on her first day as governor in 1985 and seeing rows of portraits of former statesmen - all white men.

"This was an earthquake," she said of her election. "I had changed the order of succession by my presence."

Kunin said "another force" affecting women in politics is the question of "whether there is anything to overcome." She said some in the political world now argue that women have reached total equality.

But Kunin argued that although women have come far in some fields, they still have a distance to go before reaching true equality.

"Women have made tremendous

progress ... in education," she said, noting that there are now more female than male undergraduate students at American universities. She also said the numbers of female doctors and lawyers has risen from only 4 to 5 percent to almost half of the total number.

"The barrier to having access to skills ... can no longer be considered an obstacle," Kunin said.

However, she said women have still not resolved the conflict between family and career. "We still haven't figured it out, and we may never figure it out."

Kunin remembered her first

official meeting as a Vermont state legislator, which she almost didn't get to because she could not find a baby-sitter for her children.

"Progress has been made," she said, citing improved child care and "enlightened husbands" as examples of this progress. "But it still is a dilemma. We are not entirely able to split ourselves in two."

The speech was sponsored by the University Honors Program. About 75 people attended the speech, which was one of a series in "Breaking Barriers," the University Symposium's Winter Series.



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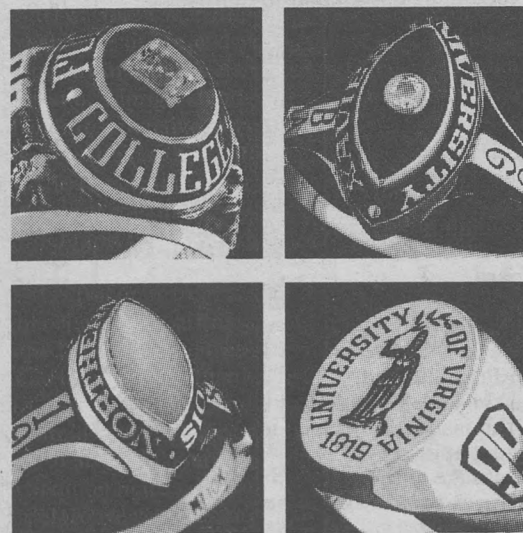
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# Supreme Court hears Virginia religion case

BY JIM GERAGHTY  
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

A University of Virginia student magazine presented arguments before the Supreme Court on Wednesday, claiming they have been denied funding because of their religious viewpoint.

The school's Christian student group was first denied funding in 1991 for its publication *Wide Awake*, which consisted of religious oriented material that focused on "challenging Christians to live in faith."

The *Wide Awake* was turned down from the student government appropriations process because of its religious content. The Board of Regents, which oversees the student government, has determined that it cannot fund groups that hold political or religious activities.

Student organizations at the University of Virginia apply for funds from the student government, similar to the procedure used by GW's Student Association.

Ronald Rosenburger, publisher and lead plaintiff in the case, claims *Wide Awake* has been

denied its right to freedom of speech because of its content. *Wide Awake* Publications is represented by Mike McConnell of the University of Chicago Law School.

"The university funds a large number of student publications. I don't think anyone would deny free-speech violations if funding were denied to a gay rights group or any other controversial point of view," McConnell said in an interview with the Society of Professional Journalists' *Quill* magazine. "They fund Muslim and Jewish organizations, but when it comes to a Christian point of view, they shy away."

The university does fund the Jewish Law Students Organization, said Michael Sampson, editor in chief of the *Cavalier Daily*, Virginia's student newspaper. However, the Jewish organization uses the funds for 'cultural activities.'

The *Cavalier Daily* argued in an editorial that the university was right to deny funding to *Wide Awake* on the grounds that funding would be supporting a religious group. The newspaper also pointed out that the school has been fair by permitting the use of university

computers and distribution on campus grounds.

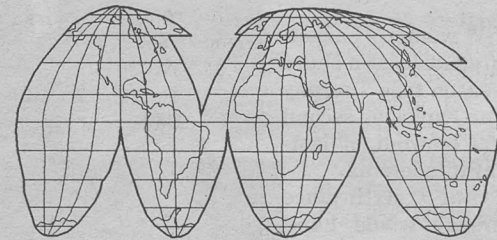
Opinion on the campus has been mixed, Sampson said. Although only a few students remember the controversy that began the case five years ago, there have been several opinion pieces

submitted to the student newspaper.

Sampson conferred with professors there about the case.

"Right now, (the major opinion is) the case could go either way," Sampson said. "It depends on the way the court sees the issue, as a matter of freedom of speech or freedom of religion ... This is a new issue for this court."

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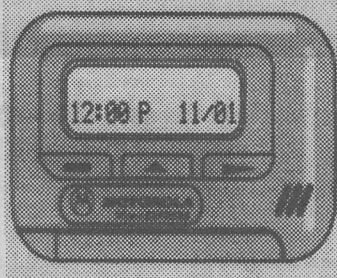
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## SPORTS

## Colonial Women grab No. 1 seed with blowout over hapless Temple

BY KYNAN KELLY  
SPORTS EDITOR

The No. 18 GW women's basketball team captured at least a share of the regular season title Tuesday night by riding an explosive second half to an 83-59 blowout of last-place Temple in Philadelphia.

A victory at sixth-place Duquesne Thursday would hand the first-place Colonial Women (13-2 in the Atlantic 10, 20-5 overall) sole possession of the crown for the first time in school history in either men's or women's basketball.

They are already assured of their first-ever No. 1 seed in the A-10 Tournament, scheduled to play March 9 at St. Joseph's in Philadelphia. They will take on the winner of the March 8 contest between the eighth and ninth seeds.

GW took the lead for good early in the game on two Debbie Hemery layups, as she led all scorers with 13 points in the first half and 21 for the game. However, Temple (0-15, 2-23 overall) managed to fight back from a 12-point deficit to cut the lead to 37-30 on a Claudrena Harold three-pointer before the break.

Hemery moved past Tracey Earley (1986-89) into third place on GW's all-time scoring list with 1,609 points. Jennifer Shasky (1990-93) is in second on the list with 1,643 points after Darlene Saar passed her up Feb. 25.

Hemery's teammates pitched in after halftime and the Colonial Women reeled off 10 unanswered points to begin the second half. The GW defense stiffened and forced five turnovers in the first five minutes, including steals by Saar,

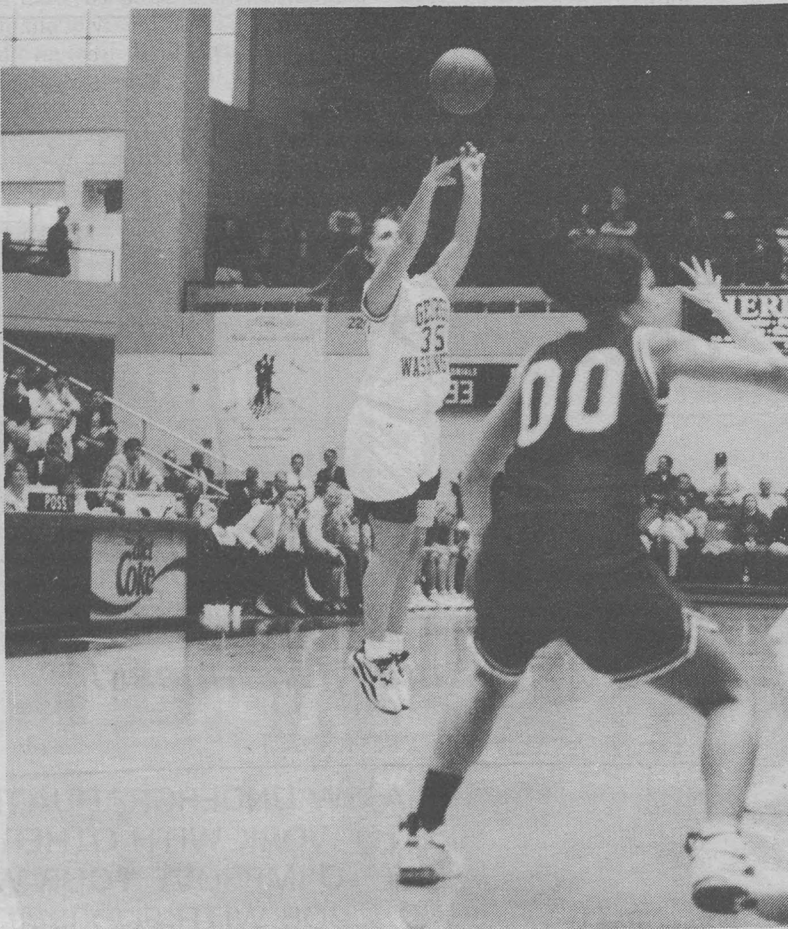


photo by Claire Duggan

**Lisa Cermignano launches a shot from long range against St. Joe's on President's Day. She poured in four treys in GW's first-seed clinching win over Temple Tuesday night.**

Myriah Lonergan and Lisa Cermignano.

Cermignano also found her range from three-point territory, nailing two treys in the stretch to make the score 47-30. She hit four of eight for the game.

GW's three-point ace last season, Cermignano has struggled at

times to get on track, although she still leads the team with 37 three-pointers (31 percent). Cermignano's ability to bury big shots at crucial moments will help GW as it enters the postseason.

Saar, GW's all-time leader in both scoring and rebounding, tallied her 14th double-double of the season and the 51st of her career.

The Lady Owls, losers of 15 straight, never got closer than 13 points after GW sprinted ahead, allowing head coach Joe McKeown to spread some playing time around for his reserves.

Every Colonial Woman scored, except for starting forward-center Tajama Abraham, who left the game after 14 minutes with a recurring shoulder injury. Abraham has been forced to sit several times this season when her right shoulder temporarily pops out of place. She is expected to play Thursday against Duquesne.

GW 83, Temple 59							
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	
Saar	30	6-9	3-4	3-10	0	15	
Abraham	14	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	
Williams	17	3-7	3-4	0-1	4	9	
Hemery	31	9-18	2-2	0-2	0	21	
Cermignano	28	5-12	0-0	1-4	1	14	
Sawyers	20	3-6	1-2	5-6	1	7	
Lonergan	27	3-6	0-0	1-2	2	7	
McCrea	13	0-1	1-2	1-3	3	1	
Neville	9	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	5	
Goheen	6	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	2	
Acher	5	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	
TOTALS	200	33-65	10-14	14-34	17	83	
Temple	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	
Garrett	32	5-16	0-0	3-5	3	14	
Wetzel	36	3-6	0-1	1-3	3	7	
Davis	12	0-1	2-2	1-2	2	2	
Goods	39	1-4	2-2	2-4	3	4	
Harold	39	6-11	6-7	3-5	0	20	
Williams	27	3-15	4-6	6-15	2	10	
Dittenber	11	1-3	0-0	1-4	1	2	
Porter	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Fulmer	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Lombardo	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
TOTALS	200	20-57	14-18	19-40	14	59	

## GW falls prey to Rutgers; now in must-win situation

BY JARED SHER  
SPORTS EDITOR

The GW men's basketball team dropped back into the murky NCAA Tournament puzzle, dropping a devastating road game to Rutgers to close out the regular season.

The Scarlet Knights stunned the Colonials, 91-87, in a game that would have gone a long way toward cementing GW's standing for the tournament. Rutgers picked apart the Colonial defense throughout the second half, opening up a large lead GW could not counter.

"We didn't have much of a chance," head coach Mike Jarvis said. "If we had won that game, it would have been a miracle."

The game, coupled with Temple's loss to St. Joseph's, still allowed GW to clinch second place in the Atlantic 10. However, the Colonials may still have to win the conference tournament to get into the NCAA Tournament.

Winning the A-10 would secure an automatic berth into the tournament, while a loss in the quarterfinal round would likely end the season with a bid to the National Invitational Tournament instead.

"Right now, we're thinking about Sunday," Jarvis said. "Our goal should be what it's been all year, to go to the A-10 tournament and win it. Whatever ounce of energy and strength the players have left, it's got to go to that end."

The loss showcased one of the Colonials' main problems: lack of depth. Nimbo Hammons picked up his fourth foul less than a minute into the second half. By the 12-minute mark, Alexander Koul joined him with four as well.

GW simply does not have the

depth to come from behind with two starters sidelined, Jarvis said. "Anytime some of your best players get in foul trouble, it's a problem," Jarvis said. "No team can afford losing two or three of its best players."

Even before the foul trouble, the Colonials looked like the lethargic group that struggled before beating Duquesne in overtime Feb. 24.

GW shot just 45 percent in the first half and fell behind by three at the break. Then in the second session, both teams exploded offensively, but the Colonials blew their opportunities down the stretch.

Although GW hit 12 of 29 three-point shots, the team fell behind by eight midway through the half. The Colonials rallied back to cut the lead to one with 12 minutes left, but Rutgers blew the game open. The Knights extended the lead all the way to 16 before GW's last-gasp rally fell short.

Down 16 with just over two minutes on the clock, the Colonials made the game interesting, launching a 20-9 run to have a chance to steal the game late. But down five, Kwame Evans (32 points) missed one of two free throws with 20 seconds left, and GW could not overcome the deficit.

Rutgers 91, GW 87							
GW	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	
Evans	39	12-25	3-5	2-7	4	32	
Hammons	34	8-13	1-1	1-8	5	23	
Moses	17	0-1	0-0	1-3	5	0	
Hart	25	3-5	0-2	2-5	4	6	
Jones	38	5-11	5-5	1-5	3	16	
Koul	24	2-6	4-6	7-8	5	8	
Calloway	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Wise	14	0-1	0-0	1-2	3	0	
Williams	3	1-1	0-0	1-2	1	2	
Hazzard	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	
Green	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
TOTALS	200	31-65	15-19	19-43	31	87	
Rutgers	MIN	FG	FT	O-T	PF	PTS	
James	37	3-10	3-6	0-6	3	12	
Kolbasovsky	25	2-7	5-6	1-3	3	10	
Clark	34	5-6	3-7	6-10	4	13	
Ashmeade	14	0-3	0-0	2-2	4	0	
Karner	33	6-8	7-10	0-3	2	21	
Marcolte	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	
Santiago	28	0-3	5-6	0-0	0	5	
Lee	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	
Phillips	21	11-16	6-7	1-4	4	28	
TOTALS	200	28-54	29-42	12-31	20	91	

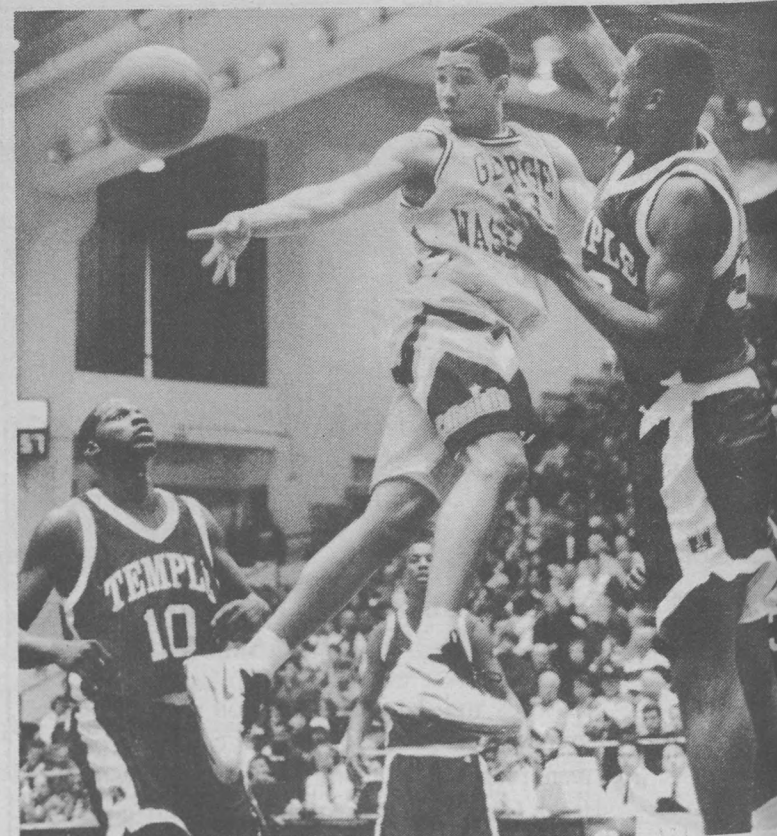


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**Nimbo Hammons flies through the lane to dish out an assist against Temple last Sunday. He scored 23 points and hit six of 10 threes Tuesday at Rutgers.**

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## SPORTS

## Gymnasts finally use season's high score to win

## Colonial Women buck tradition to silence James Madison

BY ADAM WILLIS  
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

The Colonial Women gymnasts put together their best score of the season again Tuesday night, finishing the meet with 188.275 points. In a break with recent tradition, the new high score was good enough to beat the opponent this time around, as James Madison could muster only 185.55 points in the Smith Center.

The meet was the third in five days for GW, but fatigue did not seem to cause much of a problem until the later events. Even then, it was not enough to shake the team off its season-high pace. The Colonial Women outscored JMU on three of the four events en route to the trouncing of the Lady Dukes.

GW had a terrific performance on the vault. Led by the 9.725 meet-high score of Alexis Hrynko, GW finished with an event score of 47.875. No Colonial gymnast posted a score lower than 9.325 on the apparatus, which GW won by .675 points.

On the last three events, the fatigue showed up. But where one teammate faltered, a host of others showed up to salvage the events. GW's team scores of 46.9 on the uneven bars, 46.7 on the beam and

46.8 on the floor exercise polished off the Colonial Women's finest meet thus far.

GW's sweep of the top three spots on the uneven bars highlighted the team's night in individual competition. Lisa Gruber's 9.4 on the event was good for third place,

a nice addition to her second-place finish on the vault, which she earned by posting a score of 9.625.

Captain Nancy Akers scored a 9.55 and pulled in second on the bars, bested only by teammate Siobhan Haney's meet-high score of 9.6.

Lori Franklin also had an impressive outing, finishing the day with two third-place finishes. Franklin was the only Colonial Woman in the top three on the floor, finishing just .02 points behind first with her score of 9.55. She also took third with a score of 9.475 on the balance beam, an event won by teammate Tracy

Ackerman with a score of 9.675.

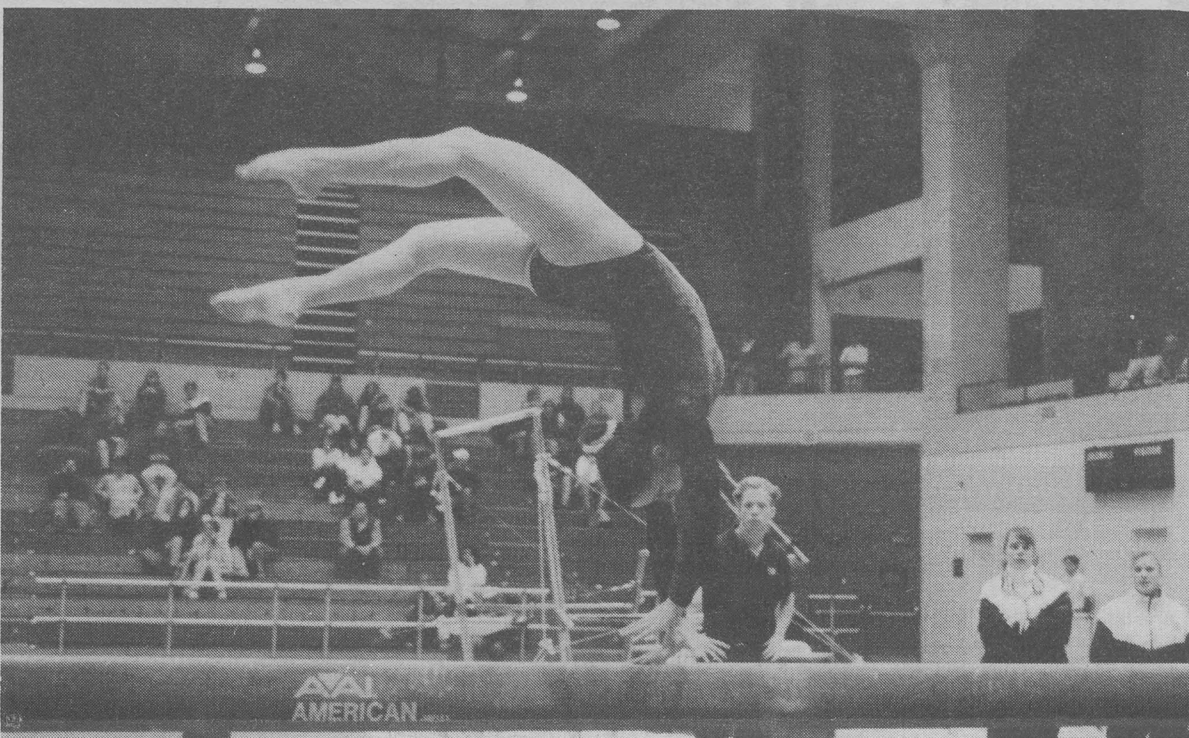
The gymnastics team also traveled to Lincoln, Neb., to compete in the Masters Classic meet Sunday. They took with them a three-meet streak of posting new season-best scores and an opportunity to get the better of North Carolina State University for the first time in three tries this season.

They returned to campus Monday with a snapped streak, a growing N.C. State jinx and no individual top-three finishes. The Colonial Women finished fourth to Nebraska, UCLA and N.C. State.

There were bright points for GW. The Colonial Women's score of 186.225 marked the fifth straight meet in which GW topped the 186-point mark, and the sixth time this year the team has risen above that level.

The meet's winner, Nebraska, finished with a score of 192.05, the highest score posted by any team GW has met with this season. UCLA's 191.225 is second in that department, and N.C. State's final of 189.025 would have won all but one meet the Colonial Women have competed in this year.

GW has yet another chance to avenge its losses to N.C. State this Saturday, when the team travels south to compete in the N.C. State Invitational. The GW gymnasts have completed their home schedule for the season.



Head over heels: Siobhan Haney performs a back flip on the balance beam

photo by Tyson Trish

## Swimmers Bowman, Flint take top honors at A-10s

## Teams unable to place in New Jersey

BY ERICH W. ZIMMERMANN  
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

Swimmers Glendon Flint and Bambi Bowman both broke GW records and walked away from the Atlantic 10 championship meet this weekend with top honors.

They were part of strong and exciting men's and women's swimming teams at the meet at Rutgers. Both GW teams showed they possess some of the strongest and most exciting swimmers in the A-10 during perhaps the biggest team meet of the season. Although they were not able to win the meets team-wise, there were a number of great individual performances.

When the weekend ended, four A-10 records had been broken, 16 school records had fallen, four swimmers had qualified for Senior Nationals, three for Junior Nationals and three had posted times good enough to be considered

for the NCAA meet to take place in two weeks in Austin, Texas.

For the men, the stellar performance of Flint, a freshman, was the most impressive of the weekend. Flint broke the school record in three individual events and was part of two different relay teams that established new marks. He

was named rookie swimmer of the year, while Bowman took women's swimmer of the year honors.

Bowman and the rest of the GW women's team were just as successful at eclipsing school and conference records. She and Meghan Mitchell both qualified for the NCAA meet, an event both participated in last year.

For the men, Flint set records in the 500 freestyle and the 100 and 200 breaststroke. His strong swim in the 200 breaststroke was good enough to be considered for the NCAA meet. It also established a new A-10 conference record.



Bambi Bowman

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#7- RU or W.Va.

#3 Temple

#6- RU or W.Va.

Semifinal #1

7 p.m.

Semifinal #2

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Final - 9:30 p.m.

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Note: The #8 and #9 teams will play an opening round game Saturday. Also, Rutgers will be #7 if it beats UMass Thursday. W.Va. will be #7 if RU loses.

Flint, who said he credits the strong coaching staff for his success so far this season, said he understands that swimming in the NCAA meet is not a guarantee.

"I'm not optimistic I'll go (this year)," he said. "But I'm confident I'll make it next year and have a chance to make my mark."

Chris Scuderi also established new school records, resetting his own marks in the 50 freestyle and 100 breaststroke.

The two other records were set in the 200 and 400 medley relay. The 200 team consisted of Scuderi, Flint, Armando Serrano and Keith

Krelovich. Scuderi and Krelovich were also on the 400 team, joined by Mike Waltz and Brendt Garlick.

Two individual women broke records over the weekend. Bowman reset her own records in the 200, 500, 1000 and 1650 freestyle. Her times were good enough to set conference records in all those events except for the 1000.

"It was a good meet. I am definitely pleased with how I did," she said.

Connie Shelton also set two new school records, in the 200 and 400 individual medley.

The other three women's

records broken were all relays. Bowman, Lita Chidester, Jessica Strenslund and Kristen Robertson were all part of the 200 medley team. In the 400 freestyle, Stephanie Ballou, Mitchell, Robertson and Bowman combined to set the mark in that event. And in the 800 freestyle, the team of Ballou, Mitchell and Bowman came once again, this time joined by Shelton, to set the school mark.

Some divers also made their presence known, as Melissa Boynton and John Klonsky were both name rookie divers of the year.

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